

the qualified electors for members of the Legislature, at the first general election to be held in this State. Those favoring the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For amendment to Section 24 of Article 3 of the Constitution increasing compensation of the Legislature, and extending the length of the regular session of the Legislature." Those opposing said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against amendment to Section 24 of Article 3 of the Constitution increasing compensation of the members of the Legislature, and extending the term of regular sessions of the Legislature."

SEC. 3. The sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of such proclamation, publication and election.

[NOTE.—S. J. R. No. 26 passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 26, nays 0, and Senate concurred in House amendments by a two-thirds vote, yeas 23, nays 1; and was passed by the House of Representatives with amendments by a two-thirds vote, yeas 101, nays 22.]

Approved April 3, 1913.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THIS  
STATE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR  
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS, AND ALSO FOR THE  
OPERATION OF PUBLIC WAREHOUSES FOR  
STORING, HANDLING, CLASSING, MEAS-  
URING, WEIGHING, ELEVATING AND  
LOADING AGRICULTURAL  
PRODUCTS.

S. J. R. No. 4.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 52 of Article 3, of the Constitution of this State.

SECTION 1. Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, that Section 52 of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 52. The Legislature shall have no power to authorize any county, city, town or other political corporation or sub-division of the State, to lend its credit or to grant public money or thing of value in aid of, or to, any individual, association or corporation whatsoever, or to become a stockholder in such corporation, association or company; provided, however, that under legislative provision any county, any political subdivision of a county, any number of adjoining counties, or any political subdivision of the State, or any defined district now or hereafter to be described and defined within the State of Texas, and which may or may not include towns, villages, or municipal corporations, upon a vote of a majority of the resident tax-payers voting thereon, who are qualified electors of such district or territory to be affected thereby, in addition to all other debts may issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such district or territory, except that the total bonded

indebtedness of any city or town shall never exceed the limits imposed by other provisions of this Constitution, and levy and collect taxes to pay the interest thereon, and provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof, as the Legislature may authorize, and in such manner as it may authorize the same, for the following purposes, to-wit:

(a) The improvement of rivers, creeks and streams to prevent overflows, and to permit the navigation thereof, or irrigation thereof, or in aid of such purposes.

(b) The construction and maintenance of pools, lakes, reservoirs, dams, canals and waterways for the purposes of irrigation, or in aid thereof.

(c) The construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof.

(d) The construction, maintenance and operation of public warehouses for storing, handling, classing, measuring, weighing, elevating and loading agricultural products. Provided the Legislature may establish such means and agencies as may be necessary for accomplishing the purpose of this amendment and if a State warehouse commission be provided for, their term of office shall be fixed by the Legislature.

SEC. 2. The Governor is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for submitting this amendment to the Constitution to the qualified electors of the State of Texas on the third Saturday in July same being the 19th day of said month, and the amendments proposed to Section 52 of Article 3 as above indicated shall be voted upon separately.

Those favoring the amendment to authorize road or other public improvements by a majority vote, shall have written or printed on their ballot, For amendment to authorize road and other public improvements by a vote of a majority, and those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballot, Against amendment to authorize road and other public improvements by a vote of a majority.

Those favoring the issuance of bonds for the construction of public warehouses, shall have written or printed on their ballot, For the amendment authorizing the issuance of bonds for the construction of public warehouses for agricultural products. Those voting against said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballot, Against the amendment authorizing the issuance of bonds for the construction of public warehouses for agricultural products.

SEC. 3. The sum of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the treasury of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publication, proclamation and election.

[NOTE.—S. J. R. No. 4 passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 26, nays 0, and Senate concurred in House amendments by a two-thirds vote, yeas 27, nays 0; and was passed by the House of Representatives by a two thirds vote, yeas 98, nays 13.]

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